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Title: **NON-NATIVE POLYMERASE ENCODING NUCLEIC ACID
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Sir:

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Restriction Requirement in the above-identified patent application.

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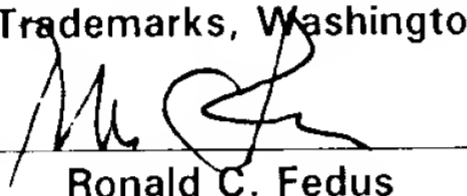
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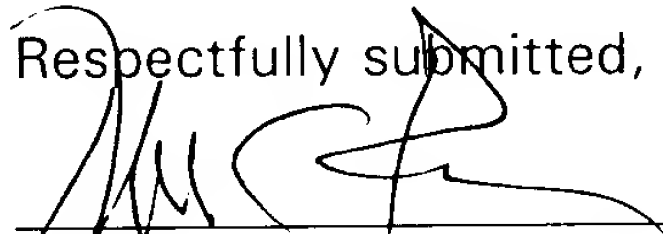
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Also enclosed: Request For An Extension Of Time (1 Month).

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RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 6, 2002 RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sirs:

This is a response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on December 6, 2002 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the December 6, 2002 Office Action was originally due by January 6, 2003. This response is accompanied by a Request For Extension Of Time (1 month) to extend the deadline to February 6, 2002. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed.

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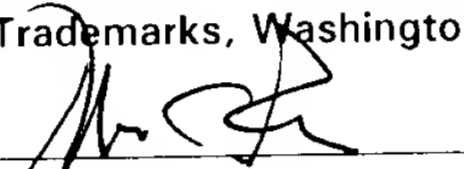
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